as resource availability, it would be difficult to indicate a suitable time frame.

Encroachments in G-Point area of Gole Market

†587. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry and NDMC have not taken any action for removing the illegal encroachments in G-Point area of Gole Market, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for not taking any action by Government to remove the encroachments;

(d) the details of the steps being taken by government to remove the Jhuggis around G-point area of Gole Market, New Delhi; and

(e) by when Jhuggis and illegal encroachments are expected to be removed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND PVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (e) The exact details are being collected and will placed in the Table of the Sabha.

National action plan of housing for Jhuggi dwellers

588. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any National Action Plan of Housing of Jhuggi Dwellers in Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Bangalore, Chennai etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the funds allocated for the same during the last three years; and

(c) the details of funds which have been disbursed, so far, on the construction of housing for the Jhuggi dwellers in the above metropolitan cities?

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND PVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) to (c) Housing is a State subject. Therefore, no action plan is formulated by the Government at the natinal level. However, the Government launched a new Centrally sponsores Scheme called the Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana (VAMBAY) in December, 2001 to provide shelter or upgrade the existing shelter for people living below the poverty line including the members of Economically Weaker Section (EWS) in urban slums with Central subsidy of 50% of the cost of the project. It is a demand driven scheme and it is for the State/UT Governments to formulate State/city-specific project proposals. It is, therefore, left to the State/UT Government to formulate an action plan to implement the scheme. During 2001-2002, an allocation of Rs. 73.56 crores was made and the entire grant was released to the States/UTs. During the current financial year, an amount of Rs. 44.2012 crore has so far been released to the States out of an allocation of Rs. 356.85 crores.

The details of subsidy released for mega-cities so far are as follows:

Name of the City	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
Delhi	50.00
Chennai	150.00
Kolkata	318.60
Mumbai	119.40
Hyderabad	1200.00
Bangalore	538.57

Erratic water supply in LIG DDA Flats at Mangla Puri

589. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the residents of LIG DDA Flats Pocket-13 of Dwarka (Mangla Puri) are facing great difficulties due to erratic and insufficient supply of potable/drinking water;

(b) if so, the steps taken to improve the supply of drinking water in the said area;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and by when the said problem would be solved;